

A Core-Attachment based Method to Detect Protein Complexes in PPI Networks

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Additional File 1

Figure 1 shows the running time of our COACH method over two kinds of random graphs (*i.e.*, Power-law random graphs and Geometric random graphs) on the workstation with 3.4GHz Dual Core processors and 3GB RAM. In power-law graphs, the degree distribution follows a power-law, *i.e.*, $P(k) \sim k^{-\alpha}$, where $P(k)$ is the probability of a nodes with a degree of k and $\alpha > 0$. Geometric random graphs are constructed by dropping n points randomly into the unit square and adding edges between two nodes with distance less than a pre-defined threshold.

In our experiments, after a power-law graph is randomized, a geometric random graph will be generated with the same number of nodes and edges as the power-law graph. Given a fixed number of nodes, we generated 50 pairs of power-law graphs and geometric random graphs and then calculated the average running time of COACH over them. Figure 1 thus demonstrates that our COACH method is efficient in large-scale graphs.

The basic information of these random graphs, *i.e.*, the average number of edges, is shown in figure 2. We also note that the average degrees ($2 \times \#Edges/\#Nodes$) of the random graphs slightly increase as the number of nodes increases.

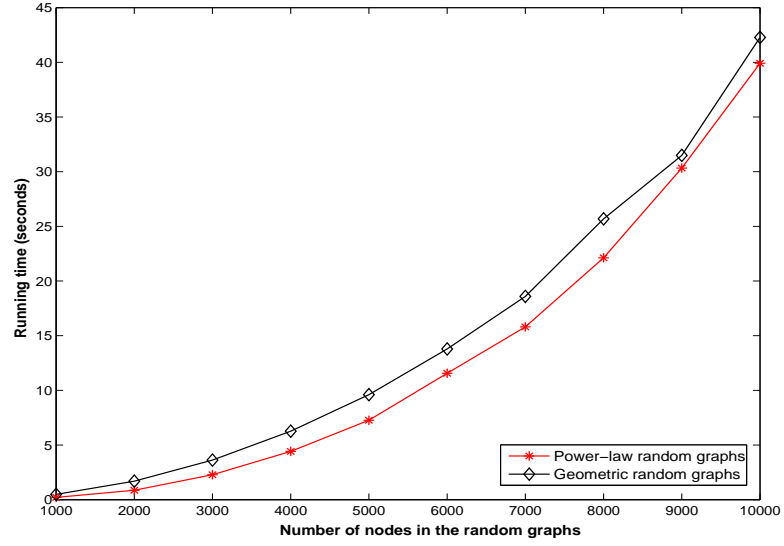


Fig. 1. The running time of our COACH on the random graphs.

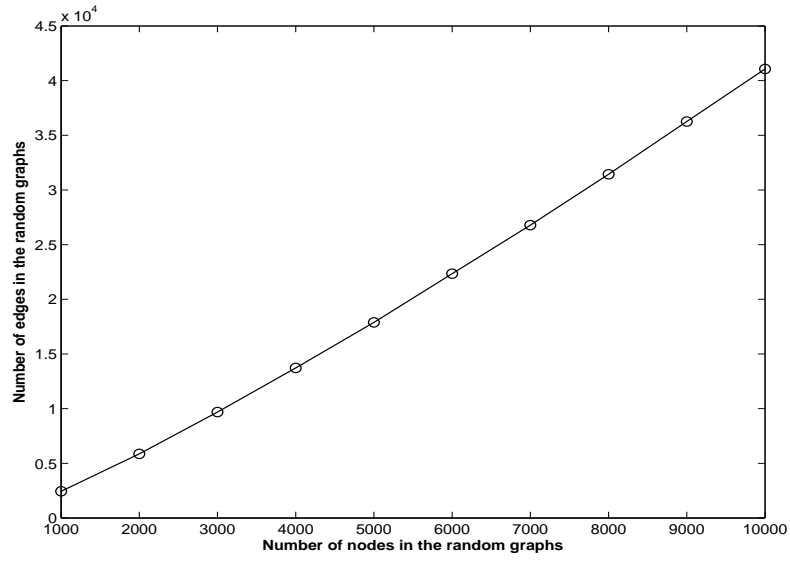


Fig. 2. The average number of edges in the random graphs in our experiments.